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NOTICES OF JUDGMENT UNDER THE FOOD AND DRUGS ACT.

[Given pursuant to section 4 of the Food and Drugs Act.]

9151. Misbranding of The Texas Wonder. U. S. * * * v. 34 Bottles of The Texas Wonder. Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. No. 12583. I. S. No. 9530-r. S. No. C-1888.)

On April 21, 1920, the United States attorney for the Southern District of Mississippi, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel for the seizure and condemnation of 34 bottles of The Texas Wonder, remaining in the original unbroken packages at Natchez, Miss., alleging that the article had been shipped by E. W. Hall, St. Louis, Mo., on or about January 15, 1920, and transported from the State of Missouri into the State of Mississippi, and charging misbranding in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, as amended. The article was labeled in part: (Bottle) "The Texas Wonder * * * E. W. Hall, Sole Manufacturer, * * * St. Louis, Mo.;" (carton) "* * * A Remedy For Kidney and Bladder Troubles Weak and Lame Backs, Rheumatism and Gravel. Regulates Bladder Trouble in Children. * * *;" (circular) "In cases of Gravel and Rheumatic Troubles it should be taken every night in 25-drop doses until relieved."

Analysis of a sample of the article by the Bureau of Chemistry of this department showed that it consisted essentially of copaiba, rhubarb, colchicum, guaiac, turpentine, alcohol, and water.

Misbranding of the article was alleged in substance in the libel for the reason that the above-quoted statements, regarding the curative and therapeutic effects thereof, contained in the cartons and circular inclosed in said cartons, were false and fraudulent in that the article contained no ingredient or combination of ingredients capable of producing the curative or therapeutic effects claimed in said statements.

On November 8, 1920, no claimant having appeared for the property, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product be destroyed by the United States marshal.

E. D. BALL, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*